

## COT Security Alert – New Email Scam

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The Security Administration Branch has been made aware of a scam email that attempts to scare users into downloading a fraudulent antivirus and obtaining user names and passwords. A sample of the email is included below, but users should remain aware that the message, the message subject line, or any other part of the email may change to avoid filters. Users will **never** be asked for their passwords or to download anything from an outside location. The task of updating machines is the responsibility of IT administrators or an assigned entity to the user's organization.

### **Scam Email:**

Attention: Commonwealth of Kentucky Email User

An HTK4S virus has been detected in your Webmail email folders.

Your email account has to be upgraded to our new F-Secure R HTK4S anti-virus/anti-Spam version 2010 to prevent damage to our webmail log and your important files.

Fill the columns below CORRECTLY or click the link to submit your details:

[hxxp://www.sgcp.net/file/form1.html](http://www.sgcp.net/file/form1.html)

Account owners who do not update his or her account immediately they receive this Notification will have problems using our online Services.

Username:

Password:

Retype Password:

Department:

NB: Becareful the site you visit as some site carry a lot of Virus as yu download.

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NOTICE: COT is providing this information so that you are aware of the latest security threats, vulnerabilities, software patches, etc. You should consult with your network administrator or other technical resources to ensure that the appropriate actions for these alerts are followed. If you are a network administrator and need additional information, please call the Help Desk at 502.564.7576.

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